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Death of Mr. Robinson.

Died, at his home on South street, in this city, Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock, John E. Robinson, aged nearly 73 years. Mr. Robinson had been in bad health for many years, and for the past year had been a great sufferer with a nervous complaint, rheumatism and chronic neuralgia.

Mr. Robinson was born in Shelby county, Kentucky, July 23, 1832. He served through the war between the states in the command of Gen. John H. Morgan. He came to Missouri in 1865 and for many years was engaged in farming and stock raising. He owned and made his home on what is now the Ward Slusher farm, on the Dover road. Mr. Robinson married October 10, 1867, Miss Mattie E. McCord, a daughter of William D. McCord, of near this city. Mrs. Robinson survives her husband. They had no children.

Owing to failing health, Mr. Robinson quit farming twelve years ago and moved to Lexington. He was a diligent and highly successful business man, so long as his health permitted him to give his attention to business.

The funeral services took place at the home on South street Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, Dr. E. C. Gordon of the Presbyterian church officiating. Mr. Robinson was a member of the Presbyterian church. Interment was made in Machpelah cemetery.

Death of Mrs. Wernwag.

Mrs. Hannah E. Wernwag, widow of the late Thomas D. Wernwag, died in this city at her home on College street Monday morning, March 6, at 5:40 o'clock, aged nearly 91 years. She had been ill only a few days.

Mrs. Wernwag was born at Blue Lick Springs, Kentucky, April 10, 1814. She came to Missouri in 1844 and since 1850 has resided in Lexington continuously, where Mr. Wernwag was once extensively engaged in the hemp business. She was the mother of ten children, only two of whom are now living: Mrs. Frank Cooley, of Kansas City, and Mrs. David Acree, Dennison, Texas. W. T. and John C. Wernwag, of this city are her grandsons.

Mrs. Wernwag was a devoted member of the Christian church for more than sixty years. She was known and beloved by all of the older people of Lexington, where so much of her life was spent. Though one of the oldest inhabitants of the city, Mrs. Wernwag enjoyed comparatively good health until shortly before her death.

The funeral services were held at the residence on College street at 3 o'clock, Rev. R. B. Briney officiating. Interment followed in Machpelah.

Capt. W. H. Littlejohn Dead.

Died, after a short illness at his home in Dover, Feb. 28, W. H. Littlejohn, aged 87 years, 3 months, and 9 days.

Wm. Henry Littlejohn was born in Georgetown, D. C., Nov. 19, 1817. His boy-hood days were spent in Washington. He was present at the inauguration of President Adams in 1828, also the reception given to Marquis Lafayette in 1824 by citizens of Washington city. He saw the first trip made by rail from Philadelphia to Pittsburg over the first railroad built in the United States. In the nineteenth year of his age he went to Kentucky where he was married to Miss Serena Thomas. To this union three children were born: David B., Sanders W., and Katherine, only one of whom is living, Mrs. Katherine Bunt, of Falmouth, Kentucky. He served as sheriff of Pendleton county, Ky., for a term of years. He entered the Union army in 1862, was chosen captain of Company F, 18th Ky. Volunteers, under Col. Wm. A. A. Warner of whom he was a personal friend. At the close of the war he was married to his second wife, Miss Nannie A. Bunt of Falmouth, Ky., who with the following children survive him, Mrs. W. W. Cole and W. J. of Dover, and E. C. of Independence. He moved to Missouri in 1867 and lived in and near Dover, with the exception of four years spent in Barton county, until the time of his death.

Capt. Littlejohn was known to almost every citizen of La Fayette county and was honored and respected by all. His energy and industry were remarkable for one of his age; was of a cheerful disposition, with a pleasant word for every one. He enjoyed the society of his friends and would often say although he was 87 he had the heart of a boy. He was a consistent member of the Old Men's Club of La Fayette county and always enjoyed the meetings of that organization. The funeral was held at his home Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Kaufman. A good man has gone to rest. May the memory of him long remain.

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Dramatic Recital at Central College.

Another event of more than ordinary interest was the dramatic recital given by Miss Grace Elynn Lewis in Central College Chapel Monday evening. Miss Lewis is no stranger to the friends of the College, and the enthusiasm with which she was received, as well as the frequent applause which greeted her, testified to the delight of her audience and their appreciation of the success which has crowned her efforts.

The program—specially well adapted to the occasion, seemed a test of the art of the reader, while her interpretation and rendition of the several numbers were pronounced faultless by her hearers. Truly, Miss Lewis has won new honors for herself and reflected credit upon the teacher who has brought her talent to its high state of perfection. The following is the program:

"Joshua's Obituary" - Marietta Holly
"A Fancy from Fontenelle" - Austin Dobson

"Mandalay" - Rudyard Kipling
"The Master Stood in His Garden" - Anon

"The Doll's Funeral" - Will Allen Droughtole
"The Book Agent Beats the Bandit" - Anon

"My Disreputable Friend" - Richard Harding Davis
"His Compensation" - Eva Williams Malone

"The Boy That Was Scared o'Dyin'" - Annie Trumbull Slosson
"Almost Beyond Endurance" - Anon

"The King of Boyville" - William Allen White
Monologue—"Hunting for an Apartment" - May Isabel Fisk

An informal reception followed, when Miss Lewis received the congratulations of friends and their expressions of pleasure at the delightful evening she had granted them.

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County Court Proceedings.

County Court met Monday and remained in session until Thursday at noon—all of the judges present.

J. K. Gray was appointed engineer and D. B. Weedon assistant to let contract for making drainage ditch in township 50, range 28. Bids will be received April 3 up to 2:30 o'clock in front of the court house. This ditch was petitioned for by Joseph Crutsinger et al.

Court ordered a new road grader for road district No. 39, C. Y. Ford, commissioner.

Ordered that Road and Bridge Commissioner Weedon view bridge across Bear branch, between sections 19 30, 40-25, on farm of W. H. Brel-pohl.

Bridge Commissioner B. D. Weedon was ordered to build bridge across Big Sm between sections 28 29, township 50, or new road petitioned for by Adolph Bettein et al. The petitioners are required by the Court to pay \$521 on the cost of this bridge.

Commissioner Weedon was ordered to examine bridge on line between sections 4 and 9, 50 27, near John McIntyre's farm.

Commissioner Weedon was ordered to view bridge between 3 and 4, 49 27, between the lands of L. F. Wilson and Annie E. Stevenson.

In the matter of the road petition of Alfred Bishop et al. vs. W. T. Richardson et al. the court approved the report of B. D. Weedon, road and bridge commissioner, and appointed T. E. Gammon, E. O. Rex and W. F. Douthitt to assess damages.

Ordered that road and bridge commissioner view and mark out road petitioned for by C. M. Brown et al.

In the matter of the petition of J. B. Bentley et al. Commissioner Weedon filed report and road was ordered opened at the expense of the expense of the petitioners.

In the matter of the road petitioned for by W. H. White et al. in which the Missouri Pacific railroad was the protestant, the commissioners having failed to give damages to the railroad, the case was tried before a jury.

William H. Chiles represented the railroad and Clarence Vivion the petitioners. The jury awarded \$25 damages, and the railroad through its attorney appealed the case to the Circuit Court.

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Senior Reception

On Monday evening last the graduating class of Lexington College was honored with an "At Home," that, for splendor, attendance and artistic effects, has never been surpassed in the history of the institution.

Halls, corridors, office and library seemed to have been touched by a magic wand and transformed into apartments of elegance and ease. The settings for the occasion were green and white (class colors) with a wreath of evergreens and flowers. In the parlors the scene was entrancing. Here amidst profusions of white carnations, roses, ferns and smilax, the handsomely gowned seniors assisted by President and Mrs. White and Associate President and Mrs. Cook, received their many guests.

On leaving the parlors the visitors were met by the reception committee and provided with entertainment. As "the music arose all hearts beat happily." The strains of Dixie Land, Yankee Doodle and God Save the King were joyously intermingled into one symphony of sweet sounds in which all participated.

Befreshing drinks were served during the evening. At 9:30 the refreshment hall was thrown open and the old order of "good time" was re-instituted. The same idea was carried out here—ices, confectionary and other choice viands bore the semblance of the class colors. Each member of the class was presented by the Lady Principal with a delicately tied bouquet of sweet violets as a souvenir of the occasion.

Circuit Court Proceedings.

Higginsville Advance: Monday morning, March 6, 1905, court met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Hon. Samuel Davis, judge; J. L. Roberts, official stenographer, C. F. Kinkade, sheriff, and J. H. Campbell, clerk.

Wm. H. Petering vs. R. W. Petering, et al, judgement for \$40 and costs.

G. B. Beatty vs. Higginsville Switch Co., change of venue to Saline county.

Mary F. Shouse vs. The M. P. Ry. Co., defendant files answer and suit is continued to next term.

Martin Kelley vs. Higginsville Switch Co., dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

Edgar Lall vs. C. & A. Ry. Co., dismissed by plaintiff.

TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 1905.

Elmer Youngs, et al. vs. A. Klien, et al. continued.

Henry Hartwig vs. F. H. Brock, et al, judgement by default for \$337.93 with six per cent interest.

Wilson Askew, et al. vs. Fred B. Glover, continued until March 13.

David Massey vs. Samuel Field, demurrer overruled and plaintiff given leave to file amended petition.

Abraham M. Stanfield vs. heirs of W. P. Ewing, decree as prayed for.

Hawkins & Smith vs. Ed. Mason, judgement for revival.

C. Y. Trice vs. Geo. Wittemeyer, motion for cost sustained and plaintiff required to file bond for cost and before June 1, and to be approved by the court in vacation.

Court adjourned until Monday, March 13, 1905.

A New Telephone Line.

Higginsville Advance: The Farmers' Telephone Company has completed organization and last Saturday the necessary contracts were signed up whereby subscribers of that line will have the use of the Higginsville local exchange by paying a small annual rental.

The company will build about forty miles of line and will have about forty phones. Lee Boyd, of this place, has been engaged to superintend the construction of the line. The line will run from Higginsville to Wm. Walker's place, thence to Page City, Dover, Jas. Lyon's place and to Henry Slusher's farm, including nearly every house along the route.

Maximum Freight Bill Passed.

Tuesday the Missouri state senate by a vote of 18 to 12 passed the Speer-Dickinson maximum freight bill, with an amendment striking out class "J," which embraced coal, brick, cordwood, sand, stone, railroad ties and other heavy articles, and a further amend-

ment materially reducing the live stock rates. The amended bill will have to go back to the house for passage, but there can be no doubt of its success there. The original bill passed the house by a vote of 89 to 45. Senator R. H. Brown of this, the 17th district, who had always been represented as favorable to the bill and who was present during a part of the discussion of the bill, was absent when the vote of final passage came.

The vote in the senate was as follows:

Yes—Avery, Bradley, Buchanan, Devilbiss, Dickinson, Dowell, Ely, J. W. Farris, Fields, Gilmore, Humphrey, McAllister, McDavid, McNatt, Morton, Vories, Wornall, Young.

No—Clark, Frank H. Farris, Frisby, Gardner, Hicks, Kinealy, Nelson, Peck, Riechmann, Sartorius, Walker.

Market Letter.

Kansas City, Mo., March 8, 1905.

Cattle receipts are better this week than last, not as many stock cattle are included, and more killing cattle. Competition between feeder buyers and killers for heavy fleshy feeders, and the fact that packers did not get as many cattle last week as needed, has kept prices this week on killing cattle steady, cows, heifers, and country cattle a little higher. There was a suspicion of weakness about the beef steer market late yesterday and today, but sales are not any lower. Buyers tried to get cows and heifers at reduced rates yesterday morning, but demand was too great, and sales were strong to a little higher. The phenomenal demand from the country in the last two weeks has put prices pretty high for stock and feeding cattle, but buyers confidently expect to make a profit through a substantial rise in the market in the next two or three months.

Although cattle receipts the first three days this week are fairly liberal, at 23,000 head, it is not taken to indicate a continuance of good runs, but rather a result of a food market last week, and only temporary. More good steers have been coming lately, 25 loads of steers yesterday were good enough to bring \$5.50 or more. Top today is \$5.75. Bulk of the steers sell at \$5.50 to \$5.40 this week, and not very many below \$4.25. Choice heifers bring \$4.35 to \$4.50, bulk of the heifers above \$3.75, best cows, \$4.00 to \$4.40, bulk of